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ADVISORY ACTION

Applicant's arguments filed March 26, 2009 have been fully considered but have not been found to be persuasive.

1. Applicant argues, on page 5 of the remarks dated March 26, 2009, that Tankersley discloses first and second regions between layers, rather than between sheets of compostable material.

However, because Tankersley discloses first and second regions between layers of the compostable material, Tankersley discloses first and second regions between sheets of the compostable material, because the layers disclosed by Tankersley are also sheets.

Applicant also argues, on page 7, that the conclusion that one of ordinary skill in the art would have selected sealing temperatures is unexplained.

However, as stated on page 3 of the previous Action, the use of higher sealing temperature in a particular region would provide greater peel strength in the region, depending on the desired use of the end product.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Marc A Patterson whose telephone number is 571-272-1497.

The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Fri 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rena Dye can be reached on 571-272-1498. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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